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(*b*) the schemes approved out of each such list by the Board of Communications; and

(*c*) the schemes for which funds have been allotted by the Road Development Fund and the amount granted to each district board this year?

A.—(*a*) The district boards do not generally submit separate lists of schemes to be financed from the Road Development Fund. From the applications for grants in 1935–36 received from them, items of work involving large expenditure have been selected for being financed from the Road Development Fund.

(*b*) A list of schemes approved by the Board of Communications is appended.[a]

(*c*) A list of schemes for which grants have been allotted from the Road Development Fund is appended.[a]

Repairs to the Kundah bridge, the Nilgiris.

* 284 *Q.*—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether representations were made by the Nilgiris District Board, the Engineer of the District Board and the public of the Nilgiris as to the dangerous condition of the Kundah bridge in the Nilgiris;

(*b*) the date or dates of the representations received by the Government; and

(*c*) what action the Government took or propose to take to put the bridge in safe condition?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) In November 1933, the Nilgiris District Board applied for a grant for the redecking of the Kundah Bridge which was reported to be in a dangerous condition. The application was received too late for consideration in connexion with the budget for 1934–35 and the Board was informed accordingly. The application was renewed in August 1934. As the bridge was on a road which was neither a trunk road nor a second-class road, it was not eligible for a grant from provincial funds, and a grant was therefore not sanctioned. The Government propose to apply to the Government of India for sanction to the debit of the expenditure to the Road Development Account.

Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI:—"May I know under what class the road on which the Kundah bridge stands comes?"

The Hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI:—"Third-class or village road."

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Mr. J. A. Davis:—"Sir, the answer states 'the Government propose to apply to the Government of India for sanction to the debit of the expenditure to the Road Development Account.' May I know why the Government have delayed so much knowing full well that the bridge was in a dangerous condition? Will orders be issued closing the bridge to traffic temporarily?"

The Hon. the Raja of Bobbili:—"The answer was given some time back. We have already applied to the Government of India for sanction to the debit of the expenditure to the Road Development Account."

Proposals, if any, for the revision of the scale of pay of teachers employed in secondary schools under local boards and municipalities.

* 285 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are any proposals to revise the scales of pay of the headmasters, teachers, and pandits employed in the secondary schools under the local boards and municipal councils in view of the great dissatisfaction of such employees in the introduction of the new scales of pay to them; and

(*b*) if so, what they are and at what stage they are?

A.—A copy of G.O. No. 3395, L. & M., dated 20th August 1935, is placed on the table.[a]

Refusal of sanction for opening the V Form in the Board High School, Edappady, Salem district.

* 286 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Government have refused sanction for the opening of V Form in the Board High School at Edappady under the Salem District Board;

(*b*) if so, what the reasons are therefor and whether a copy of the order passed in the matter will be placed on the table;

(*c*) whether the proposal was supported by the Secondary Education Board, the District Educational Officer, Salem, and the Director of Public Instruction;

(*d*) whether the copies of the resolution of the District Board, and that of the Secondary Education Board, Salem, as well as those of the remarks of the District Educational Officer, Salem, and the Director of Public Instruction, the letters of the President, Salem District Board, and representations, if any, received in this behalf, will be placed on the table;

(*e*) what the additional expenditure anticipated for this new Form is;

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[a] Printed as Appendix IV on pages 223–224 infra.